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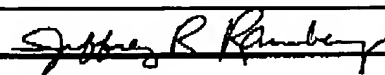
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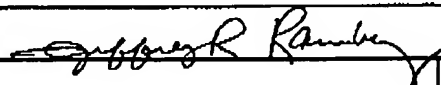
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Dear Sir:

In regard to the Office Action dated February 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Please enter Applicants' Amendments to the Claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants provide Remarks that begin on page 9 of this paper.

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